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## Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 46

### Introduced by Assembly Member Saldana

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 46—Relative to the Girl Scouts.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 46, as amended, Saldana. Girl Scouts.

This measure would commend the Girl Scouts for 98 years of service and for inspiring millions of girls with the highest ideals of confidence, courage, and character.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Friday, March 12, 2010, marks the 98th anniversary
- 2 of the Girl Scouts of the United States of America; and
- 3 WHEREAS, In 1912, Juliette Gordon Low founded the Girl
- 4 Scouts with just 18 girls and a dream in which she envisioned

1 “something for all the girls,” to enable them to better serve their  
2 communities, experience the outdoors, and contribute to national  
3 and international social development; and

4 WHEREAS, Ninety-eight years later, her efforts are responsible  
5 for creating the largest girl-serving organization in the world with  
6 3.4 million members throughout the United States and in more  
7 than 90 countries through USA Girl Scouts Overseas; and

8 WHEREAS, Nationwide 236,000 troops provide opportunities  
9 for girls between 5 and 17 years of age to discover the fun,  
10 friendship, and power of girls together, as Daisy Girl Scouts,  
11 Brownie Girl Scouts, Junior Girl Scouts, Cadette Girl Scouts, and  
12 Senior Scouts; and

13 WHEREAS, During the 1960s, the Girl Scouts began programs  
14 and projects focused on overcoming prejudice and building  
15 relationships with those of all ages, religions, classes, and races;  
16 and

17 WHEREAS, That same social consciousness continues today  
18 as the Girl Scouts promote the ideals of acceptance, understanding,  
19 cultural awareness, and tolerance; and

20 WHEREAS, The Girl Scouts is an organization with a proud  
21 history of inclusion and acceptance, and has historically promoted  
22 diversity in its membership by accepting all girls and women,  
23 regardless of their race, religion, sexual orientation, economic  
24 background, national origin, disability, or medical condition; and

25 WHEREAS, In addition to their focus on the world around them,  
26 the Girl Scouts strive to develop each girl’s potential through skill  
27 building, technological awareness, self-esteem and image  
28 promotion, and countless other opportunities that motivate and  
29 empower girls to grow and become leaders in their own right; and

30 WHEREAS, Because of this focus, Girl Scouts will lead  
31 businesses and communities, take active roles in mathematics,  
32 science, technology, and the arts, and are striving to fulfill our  
33 country’s economic needs; and

34 WHEREAS, One in four American women has been a Girl Scout  
35 and the organization is committed to outreach efforts representing  
36 its reputation as the premier voice for girls and an expert on their  
37 growth and development; and

38 WHEREAS, Some 50 million women have enjoyed the benefits  
39 of the Girl Scout program, as an American tradition, for 98 years;  
40 now, therefore, be it

1     *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*  
2     *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature acknowledges with pride  
3     the significant role the Girl Scouts has played in mentoring young  
4     women throughout California and the nation, as an organization  
5     “where girls grow strong”; and be it further

6     *Resolved*, That the Legislature commends the Girl Scouts of the  
7     United States of America for 98 years of service and for inspiring  
8     millions of girls with the highest ideals of confidence, courage,  
9     and character; and be it further

10    *Resolved*, That the Legislature encourages the people of  
11    California to participate in activities and celebrations appropriate  
12    to this occasion; and be it further

13    *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies  
14    of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.